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In response to the Office Action mailed March 13, 2000, the Applicant hereby elects a group and species for prosecution.

Please cancel claim 157 without prejudice or disclaimer as to the subject matter recited therein.

Claims 157, 194-214, and 217 were pending in the application. Claim 157 has been cancelled. Claims 194-214, and 217 therefore remain pending in the application.